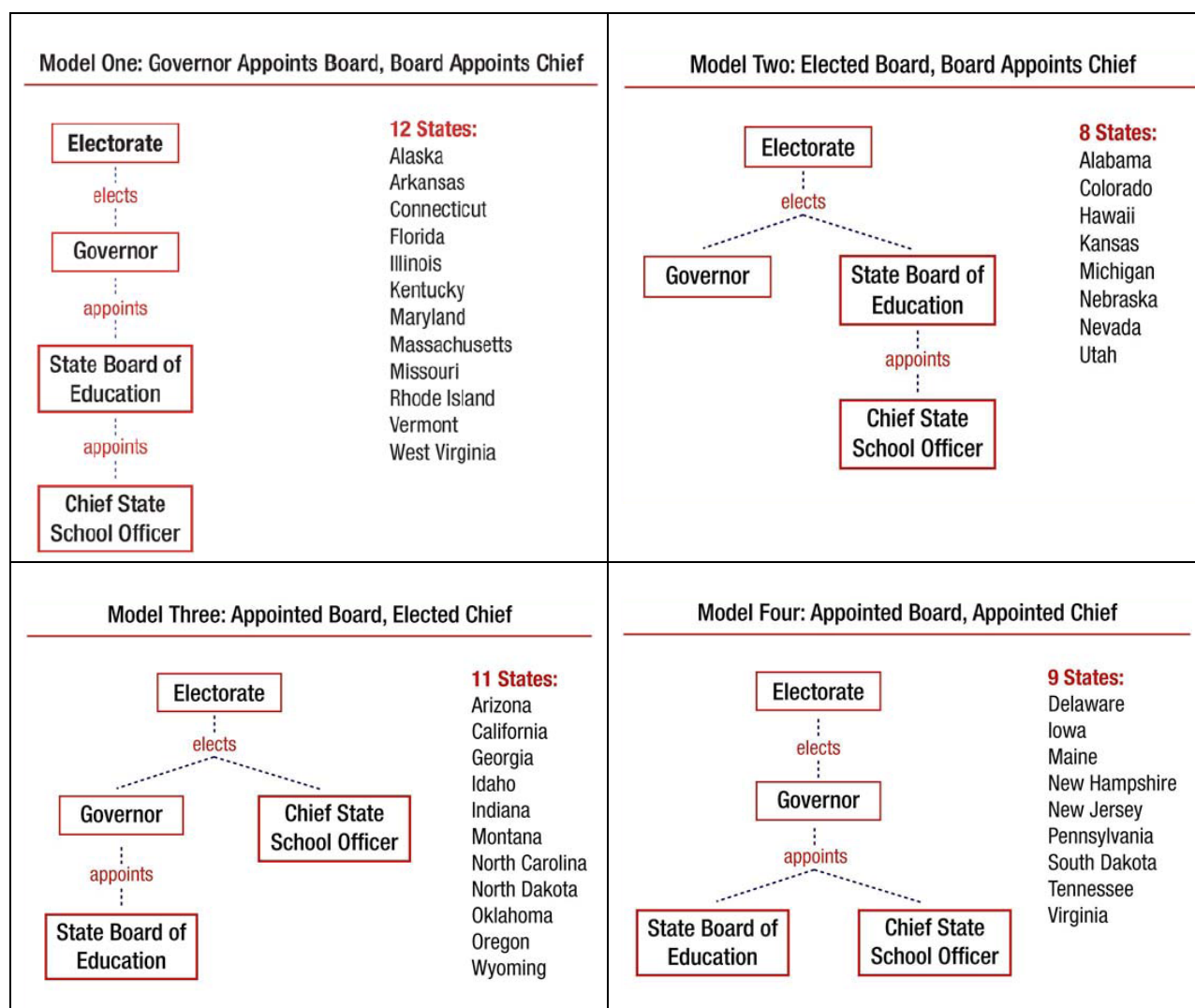


State education structures can take several standard forms. These forms include four most commonly adopted models, described below and graphically displayed in **Exhibit 2-2**:

- Governor appoints state board, board appoints chief state school officer (12 states);
- Elected state board, board appoints chief state school officer (8 states);
- Governor appoints state board, independently elected chief state school officer (11 states); and
- Governor appoints state board and chief state school officer (9 states).

Exhibit 2-2
Common State Education Governance Models



Source: Education Commission of the States, 2008.

